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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office action dated September 17, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner. The amendments include the addition of one independent claim in excess of three and seven claims in excess of twenty. Accordingly, enclosed is a check in the amount of \$105.00 in satisfaction



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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addl. Fee	<u>OR</u>	Rate	Addl. Fee
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